

UXBRIDGE BOARD OF SELECTMEN SPECIAL SESSION MEETING MINUTES May 21, 2008

<u>Present:</u> Chairman Kevin Kuros, Vice Chairman Michael Potaski, Peter Baghdasarian and Assistant to the Town Manager Kimberly Hood. Also present were: Police Chief Scott Freitas, Town Clerk Joseph Kaplan and Assistant Town Clerk Doris Saucier.

- I. <u>CALL TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.</u>: Chairman Kuros called the meeting to order at 7:03 P.M. <u>Announcements:</u> On behalf of her entire family, Martha Callahan thanked the community for its outpouring of sympathy and support upon the passing of her brother, Ben Emerick. Chairman Kuros announced that Selectman Julie Woods had tendered her resignation from the Board, effective May 19, 2008.
 - A. Swearing in Ceremony: Town Clerk Joseph Kaplan administered the oath of office to the following individuals who were elected to office on May 20, 2008: Peter Baghdasarian (3-year term, Board of Selectmen), Alice M. Picard (5-year term, Housing Authority), Daniel Donovan (3-year term, Board of Library Trustees) and Arthur A. Jackman (2-year term, Board of Library Trustees). Mr. Kaplan noted that the following individuals were sworn in earlier in the day: Ernest F. Esposito (3-year term School Committee), Mary-Meg Walsh (3-year term School Committee) and Daniel Baker (3-year term Board of Library Trustees).
 - B. BOS Reorganization: Chairman Kuros indicated he would entertain motions to nominate a Chairman. Mr. Baghdasarian responded with a request that rather than vote tonight, the Board postpone reorganizing until it can have discussion about how the Board intends to operate, specifically, the Board's relationship with the manager and the Board's authority. He proposed further discussion at the Board's next regular meeting on 5/27/08. Chairman Kuros indicated that the Board minimally needed to vote one of the members in as Clerk. Mr. Baghdasarian nominated Mr. Potaski, but the nomination was not seconded. MOTION by Mr. Potaski, seconded by Chm. Kuros, for Mr. Baghdasarian to serve as Clerk. Motion approved 2:0:1 (Mr. Baghdasarian abstained). Consensus to continue this item to the BOS meeting on 5/27/08 for further discussion.
 - C. Discussion of Special Election per MGL Chapter 41, Section 10; vacant BOS seat: Chairman Kuros noted that the Board previously approved setting a special election for July 29, 2008 to fill the vacancy created by Selectman Stack's resignation, and asked the Board to consider adding the unexpired term of Selectman Woods' seat to the ballot. MOTION by Mr. Potaski to set the special election on July 29, 2008 to fill the two vacant BOS seats. Seconded by Mr. Baghdasarian. Motion approved 3:0. Chm. Kuros noted that the Board would sign the Warrant for the special election at its next regular meeting on 5/27/08.
 - <u>D. Veteran's Day Activities: Coordinate BOS involvement and comments for speaking engagements:</u> Chm. Kuros noted that that Board had been invited to speak at Memorial Day Remembrances in Town, and by consensus, the Board agreed it would be appropriate for the Chairman to deliver comments on behalf of the Board.



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<u>E. Other Related Business:</u> Chairman Kuros recognized Chief Freitas and the Police Department whose participation in the 3rd Annual Massachusetts Law Enforcement Challenge earned them a Bronze Category Award of Excellence and a \$400 credit for cruiser tires.

II. <u>ADJOURNMENT: Next Regular BOS Meeting 5/27/08 (Tuesday)</u>
At 7:20 PM, MOTION to adjourn by Mr. Potaski, seconded by Mr. Baghdasarian.
Motion passed unanimously.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kimberly Hood, Assistant to the Town Manager

Wairman Kevin J. Kuros

Clerk Peter Baghdasarian

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Date Approved